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Abstract Proceedings of the Travancore Legislative Council.

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The Council met in the Dewan's room, Public offices, at 12-20 P. M., on Friday, the 5th September 1913/21st Chingom 1089.

PRESENT.

Dewan Bahadur P. Rajagopalachari, Esquire, C. I. E., Dewan.....*Presiding.*

A. J. Vieyra, Esq., B. A.
M. Krishnan Nair, Esq., B. A. & B. L.
E. Poonen, Esq., B. A., M. D., C. M., F. R. I. P. H.
V. Subba Iyer, Esq., B. A. & B. L.
K. Aiyappan Pillai, Esq., B. A.
P. Kuruvila Varkki, Esq.
R. Mahadeva Iyer, Esq., B. A.
R. Easwara Pillai, Esq., B. A.
P. K. Kesava Pillai, Esq., B. A. & B. L.
K. Parameswaran Pillai, Esq., B. A. & B. L.
K. G. Sesha Iyer, Esq., B. A. & B. L.
C. P. Thomas, Esq., B. A. & L. T.

K. Narayanan Pandalay, Esq., B. A. & B. L. .... *Secretary.*

The Secretary reported to the Council that the Hindu Religious Endowments Regulation Amendment Bill and the Criminal Procedure Code Amendment Bill, finally passed by the Council on the 5th June 1913, received the assent of His Highness the Maha Raja on the 7th and 9th July 1913, and became law as Regulation VI and Regulation VII, respectively, of 1088.

THE PATENTS AND DESIGNS BILL.

Mr. Subba Iyer, in introducing the Patents and Designs Bill, said that there was, at present, no law to protect inventions and designs, and that, as the necessity for the same had been recently felt, a Bill on the lines of Act II of 1911 had been framed. After

briefly alluding to the main provisions of the Bill, he moved that its principle be affirmed.

Seconded by Mr. Vieyra.

Carried.

Mr. Subba Iyer then proposed that the Bill be referred to a Select Committee, consisting of Mr. Vieyra, Mr. Kesava Pillai and the mover, to report within two months.

Seconded by Mr. Krishnan Nair.

Carried.

THE LUNACY REGULATION AMENDMENT BILL.

Mr. Subba Iyer introduced the Lunacy Regulation Amendment Bill and explained that, under Section 21 of the Regulation, the power of arresting dangerous lunatics wandering at large in public streets or thoroughfares, was given only to officers of and above the rank of Station House Officer, and that, as the Sub-Inspectors who, under the present system, were the officers in charge of Stations, could not, with their multifarious duties, be always expected to remain at the Stations, it would often be found difficult to communicate with them and get them down to the spot in time to avert danger to the public. Mr. Subba Iyer therefore said that it was necessary to amend the law, so as to empower the Head Constables to make arrests, and he moved that the principle of the Bill be affirmed.

Seconded by Mr. Vieyra.

Carried.

Mr. Subba Iyer said that, that being a very small Bill, containing an amendment to a single provision of the Regulation, there was no need to refer the Bill to a Select Committee. He therefore proposed, under Rule 66 of the Legislative Council Rules, that the operation of the ordinary rules be suspended, so that the Bill might go through all the further stages except the final reading.

Seconded by Mr. Aiyappan Pillai.

Carried.

Mr. Subba Iyer then proposed that the Bill be read again on a future day of which notice should be given.

Seconded by Mr. Vieyra.

Carried.

THE LAND ACQUISITION REGULATION AMENDMENT BILL.

Mr. Subba Iyer proposed that this Bill which had been adjourned to that meeting be taken up for consideration.

The motion was put and agreed to.

Section 3.

The President observed that the retention of the words "above the grade of a Tahsildar" in Clause (c) would fetter the freedom of the Government in appointing Land Acquisition officers, and he doubted the need for such restriction. Mr. Viera accordingly proposed that the words "above the grade of a Tahsildar" occurring in Clause (c) be omitted.

Seconded by Mr. Aiyappan Pillai.

Carried.

Mr. Subba Iyer pointed out that para 2 of Clause (d) was unnecessary, as disabilities of a married woman had been removed by the Married Woman's Prope Act of 1907. He therefore moved that the said para be expunged from the Bill that the word "and" be inserted after the word "disability" in para 1 of the Clau

Seconded by Mr. Vieyra.

Carried.

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